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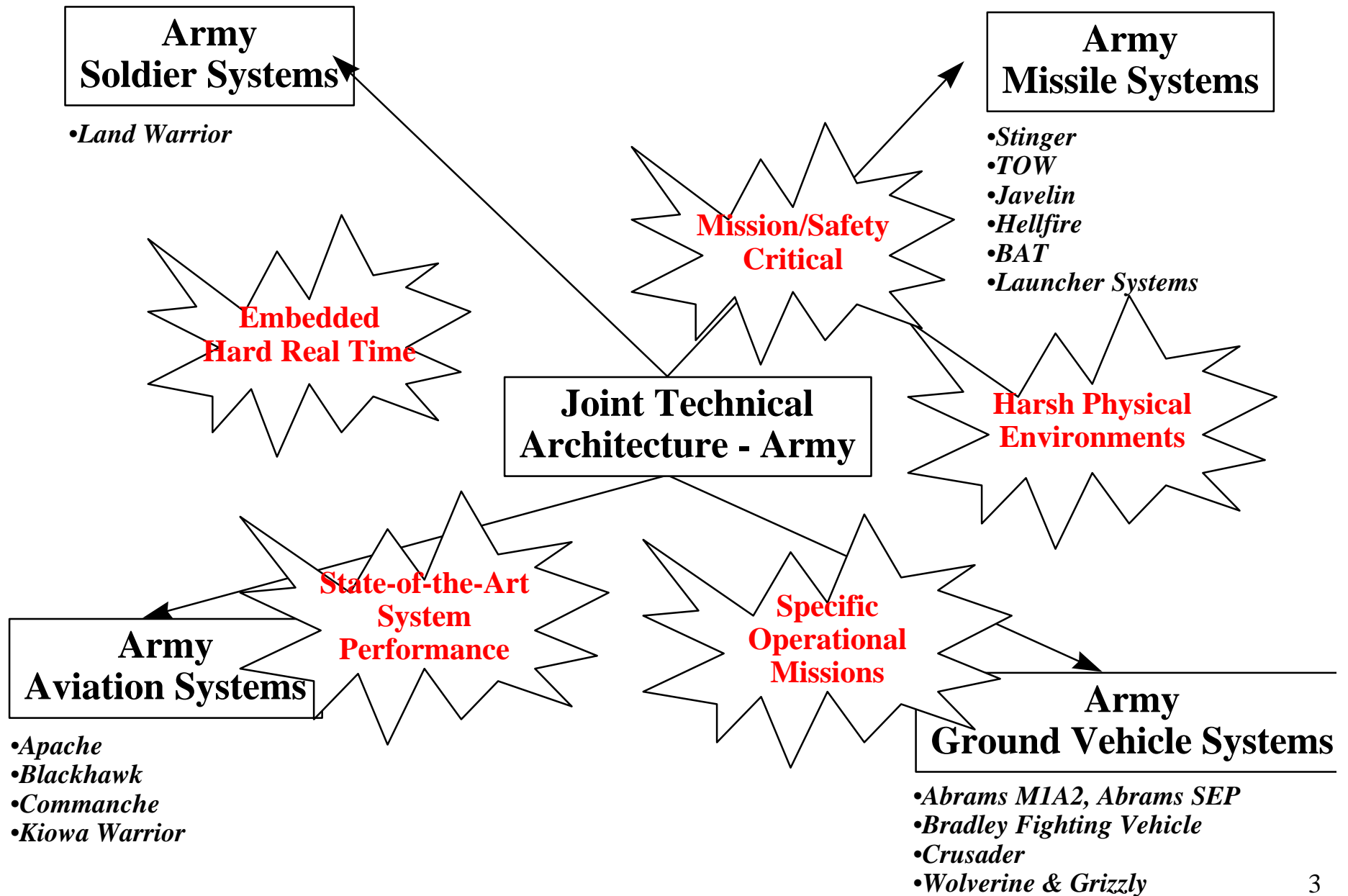
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- WSTAWG Overview
- WSTAWG HOC/Framework
- WSTAWG Operating Environment (OE)
- WSTAWG OS Services/POSIX
- WSTAWG POSIX Participation/Focus
- Participation/Deliverables



Mission:

- Define weapon system domain exceptions/extensions consistent with TA objectives.

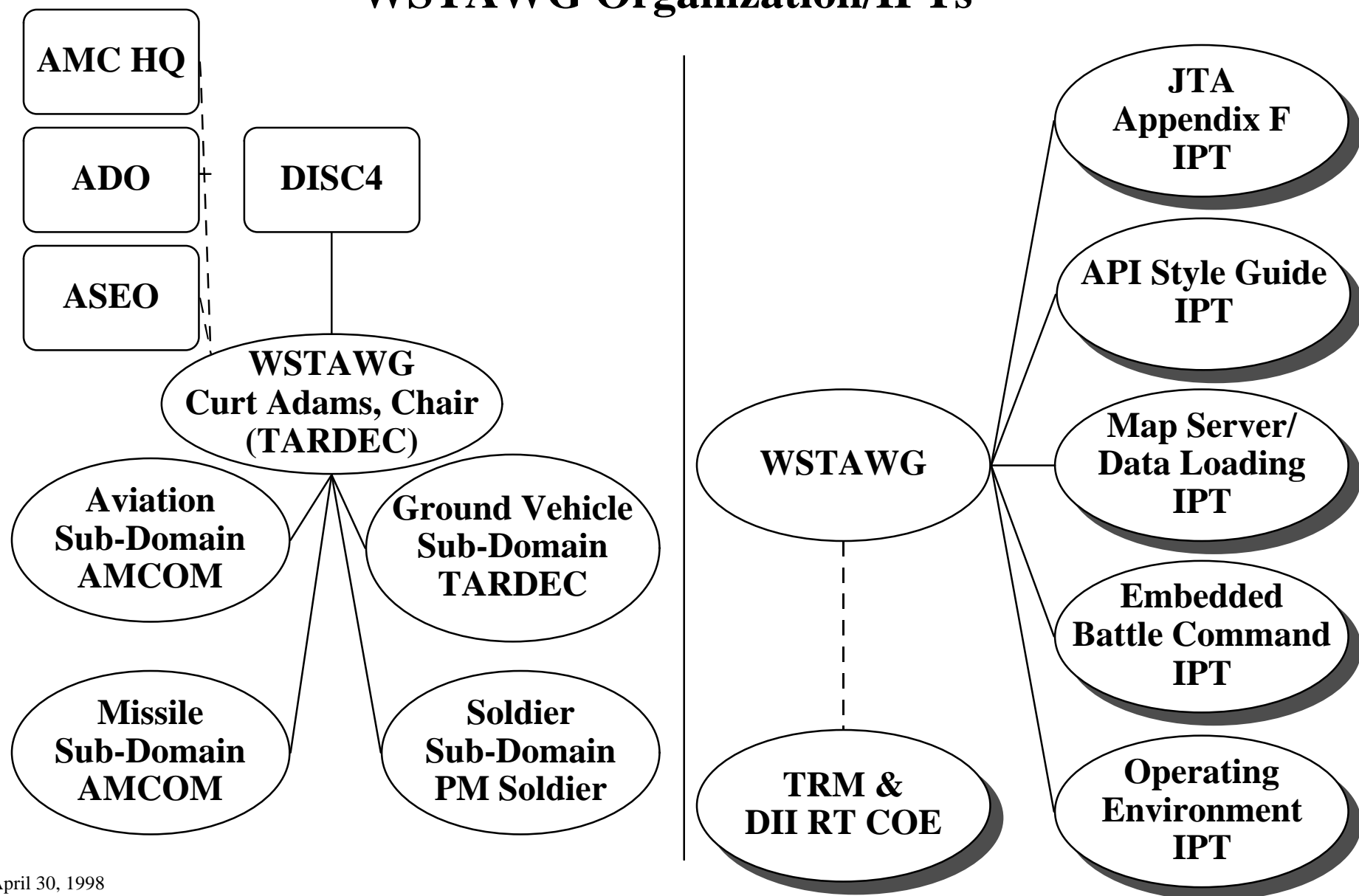
Key TA Objectives and Requirements:

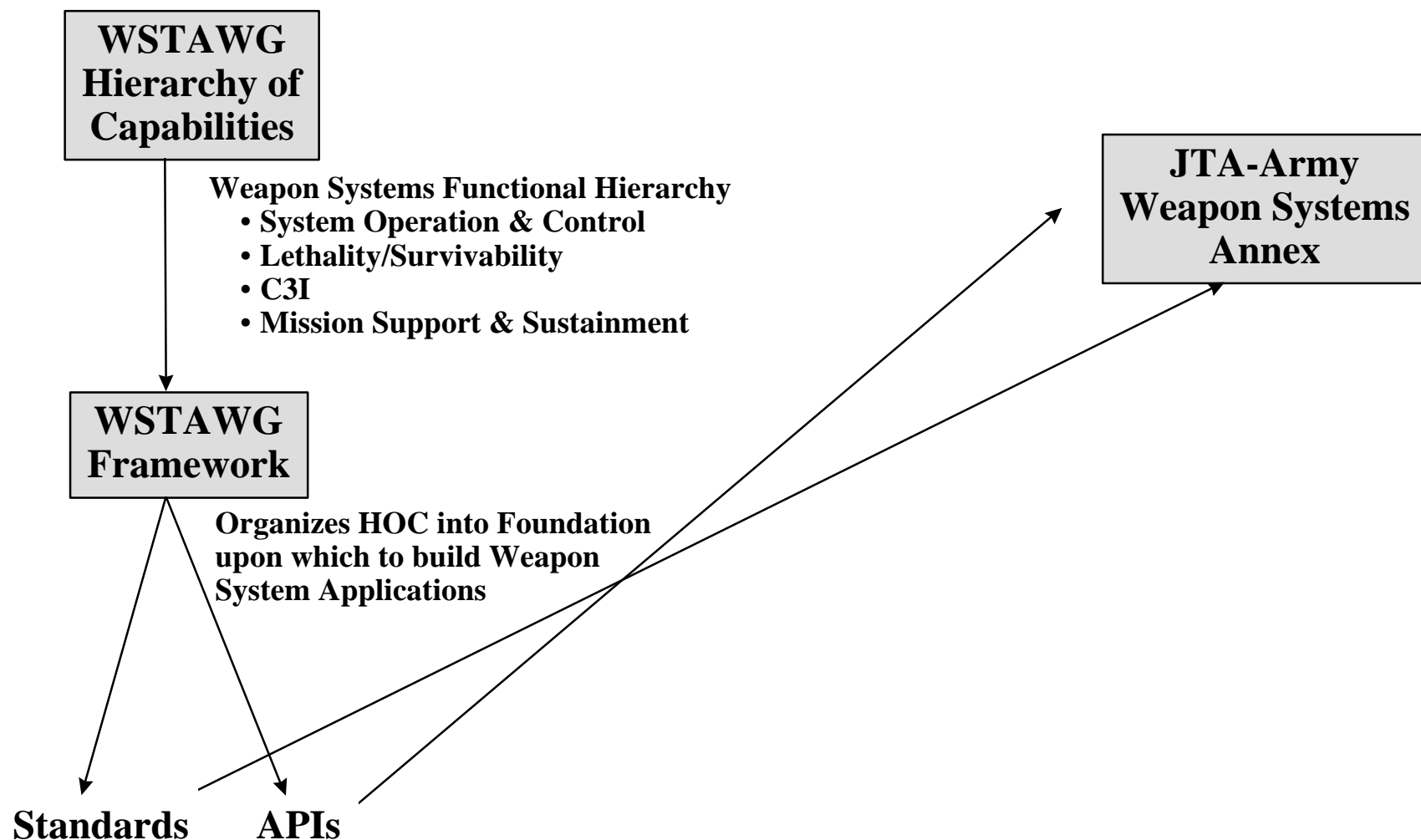
- Define minimum set of interface standards to achieve interoperability.
- Maximize the use of commercial standards.
- Promote software reuse for affordability and reduced interoperability risk with emphasis on utilizing the DII COE concept.
- Promote open systems for affordability and supportability.

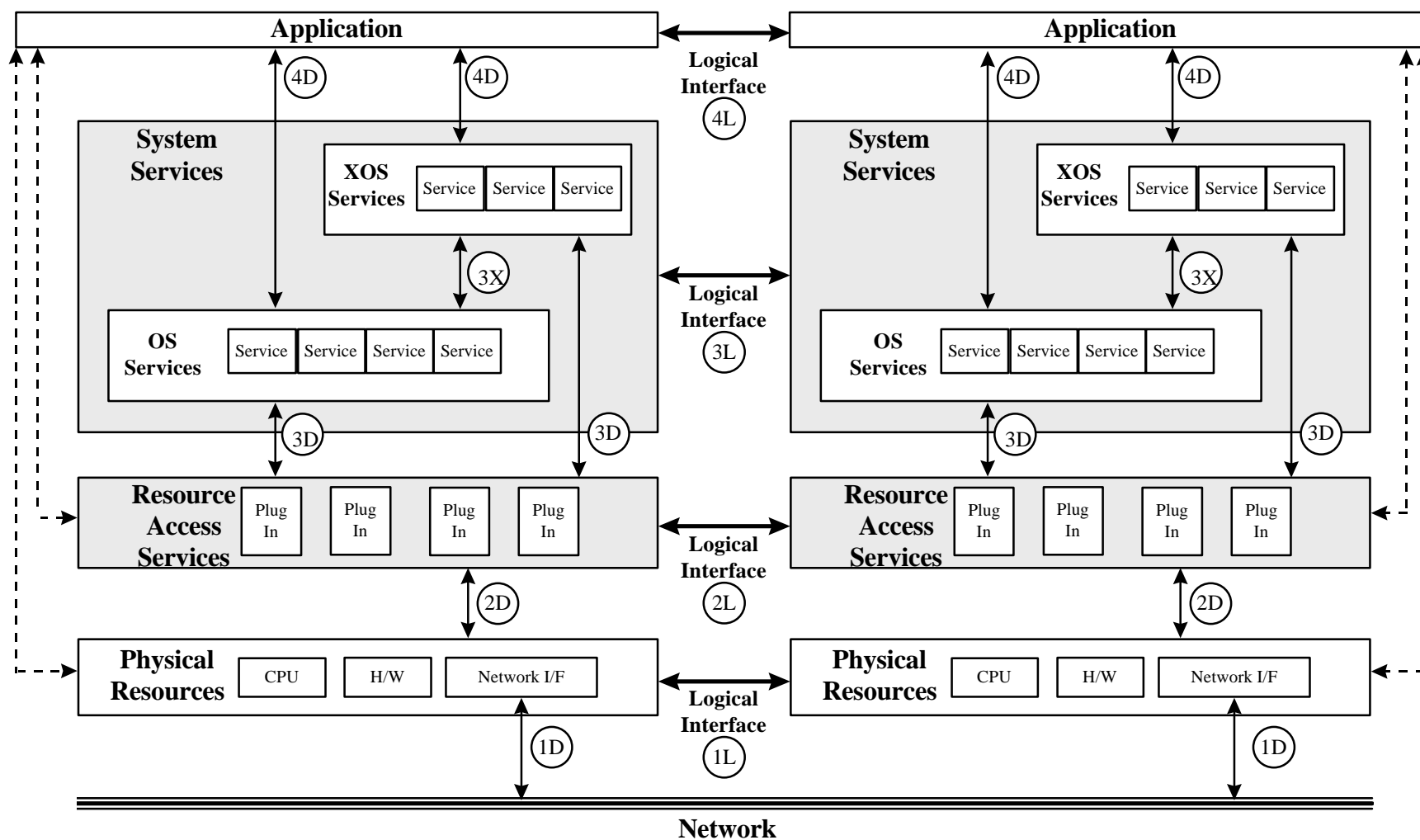
Derived Requirements:

- Provide technical framework to enable heterogeneous developments to efficiently use common components and achieve interoperability.
- Characterize weapon system domain computing environment/driving requirements.
- Be compatible with, but don't dictate specific weapon system architecture.
- Focus on application software/interfaces, not products/implementations.

WSTAWG Organization/IPTs



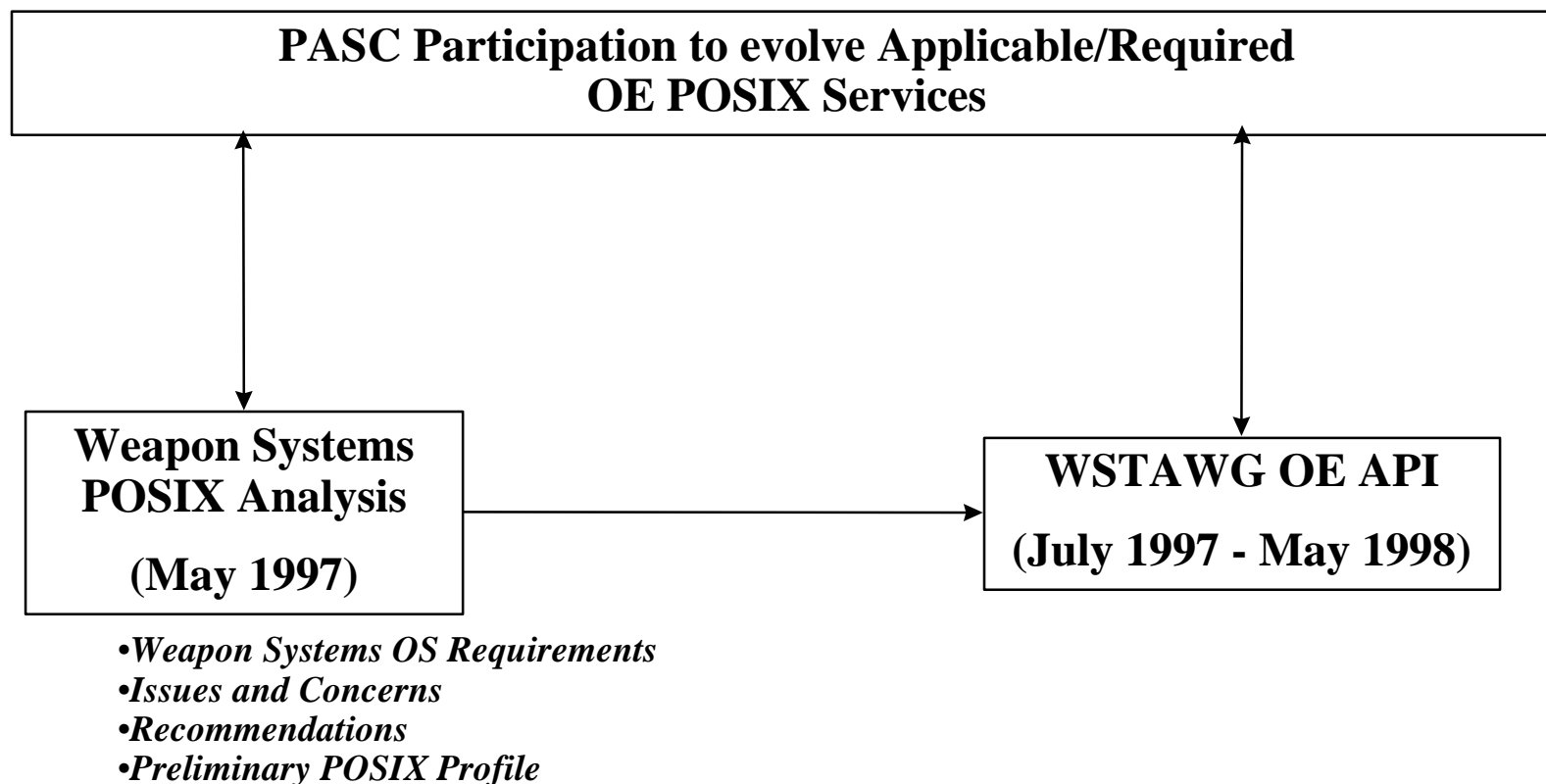




OE Goals

- Support the development of portable, reusable, rehostable applications.
- Support the development of real time embedded applications in a heterogeneous distributed real time environment.
- Provide semantic/behavioral correctness on multiple OS and hardware platforms with predictable performance.
- Provide extensibility and scalability to suit varying platform requirements.
- Support distributed applications integration environments. Specifically, communication and synchronization mechanisms developed to support the relocation of OE applications among processors and LRUs within a system without requiring the modification of application software.
- Support the development and interoperability of applications in multiple programming languages (Ada 83, Ada 95, C) utilizing distinct OE vendor implementations.

Evolution of the OE Operating System Services Interface



Initial Set of WSTAWG POSIX Concerns

- Lack of availability of conformance tests.
- Lack of vendor support (for required real time).
- Number of options within the real-time extensions.
- Viability of emerging POSIX standards.
- Safety certification.
- Lack of Ada bindings.
- Ambiguity in the POSIX specifications.
- Decline in PASC participation.

*WSTAWG PASC participation is aimed at eliminating these concerns
and
Developing required OE POSIX functionality.*

- POSIX Distributed Systems Communications (1003.21)
 - Developing Ada 95 language binding to the LIS.
- POSIX SRASS (1003.1h)
 - Providing support to develop and document the standard.
- POSIX SSWG Real Time (1003.1d, 1j, 1q)
 - Monitoring to ensure compliance with OE POSIX profile.
- POSIX Profiles (1003.13)
 - Supporting the incorporation of WSTAWG profile.
 - Participating with SAE to develop new real time profile.
- POSIX Ada Language Bindings (1003.5c)
 - Participating to ensure availability of bindings to WSTAWG profile.
- POSIX Test Methods (2003)
 - Participating to ensure availability of conformance tests for WSTAWG profile.

- FY97 Participation/Deliverables
 - Supported development/progression of SRASS and Dist Comm.
 - Monitored and supported Real-time and SAE OS API projects.
 - Developed Weapon systems POSIX analysis final report.
 - Developed 1003.21 preliminary Ada language binding.
 - Developed Weapon systems preliminary POSIX profile.

- FY98 Participation/Deliverables
 - Supporting development/progression of SRASS, Dist Comm, and Profiles.
 - Monitoring and supporting Bindings, Conformance, and Real-time projects.
 - Developing 1003.21 Ada language binding.
 - Developing final weapon systems profile, incorporated with SAE OS profile.

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